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1. FOLLOWING STATEMENT BY SECRETARY-GENERAL WALDHEIM
WAS ISSUED TO PRESS AT NOON ON MARCH 28.

2. BEGIN TEXT: ON 28 MARCH 1978 MAJOR-GENERAL E.A.
ERSKINE, INTERIM COMMANDER OF UNIFIL, MET IN BEIRUT WITH
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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, MR. YASIR ARAFAT.
DURING THAT MEETING, GENERAL ERSKINE CONVEYED TO MR.
ARAFAT ON MY BEHALF THE APPEAL WHICH I ISSUED ON MARCH 27
FOR A GENERAL CEASE-FIRE IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. MR.
ARAFAT INFORMED ME, THROUGH GENERAL ERSKINE, OF
HIS ACCEPTANCE OF MY CALL FOR A GENERAL CEASE-FIRE.

I AM MOST GRATIFIED BY MR. ARAFAT'S POSITIVE RESPONSE.
A STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THE CEASE-FIRE IN SOUTHERN
LEBANON BY ALL CONCERNED WILL FACILITATE THE TASK OF
UNIFIL IN CARRYING OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 425 (1978) TO CONFIRM THE
WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAELI FORCES, TO RESTORE INTERNATIONAL
PEACE AND SECURITY AND TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT OF
LEBANON IN ENSURING THE RETURN OF ITS EFFECTIVE
AUTHORITY IN THE AREA. END TEXT. LEONARD

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